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DIARY NOTES

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1. New Tax Bill: Mr. Fuchs reported that under the new tax bill the employees' withholding exemption card circulated to all employees contained a misprint where it asks for the number of "dependents" rather than the number of "exemptions." Mr. Fuchs said the Office of Finance would have to take responsibility and they had been in touch with each Office to advise of the correction but without changing the form.

2. Stoner System of Weapons: The DCI asked at the Executive Committee meeting for the status of the report of the interim committee on infantry weapons system. I contacted [redacted] who advised that we would have the committee pull up an interim report for submission to the DCI. In relationship to an article in the newspaper describing the "Stoner System of Weapons" being tested by the Marines in Vietnam, I asked [redacted] for a two-page report on this system for forwarding to the DCI. I promised Des Fitzgerald a copy of this report. [redacted] has thoroughly reviewed this Weapons System and can readily submit such a report.

3. Arms Cache Found in South Carolina: A reporter for the Los Angeles Times was preparing a story on a CIA connection with an arms cache found in South Carolina. Mr. McCone heard of this and called Mr. Helms and it was requested that we check the facts so that we could reply to Mr. McCone who in turn would be able to stop the story. Security, Logistics and others were contacted and it was established that such a cache was found ten days ago and was being investigated by the FBI and the Treasury Alcoholic Tax Unit. The Agency had absolutely no connection and everyone was so informed.

4. Ames Building Parking Spaces--WH Division: In connection with the temporary six-months' transfer of the [redacted] WH Division to Ames Building, a question developed as to whether or not I had promised parking spaces and Agency payment therefor for this group at Ames Building. I had promised, in a telephone conversation with Des FitzGerald, that I would make available parking spaces but pointed out when he raised the question that the employees had to pay for the space just as everyone else in the Rosslyn area is presently doing. It appears that this conversation was interpreted by some that the Agency would pay for these parking spaces. I called [redacted] Chief, WH Division, and informed him that there was no legal basis for the Agency to pay for these parking spaces, that we had explored this question most thoroughly, and his employees would have to pay for their parking facilities. [redacted] accepted this and advised he would so notify his staff. I also pointed out that all other Agency employees in Rosslyn are paying for their own spaces.

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5. Educational Aid Fund Meeting: We held a meeting in the DD/S Conference Room to consider means for raising funds for the EAF. My proposal with corrections was accepted and will be circulated. [redacted] now Executive Secretary, will make the corrections and will submit these for circulation.

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